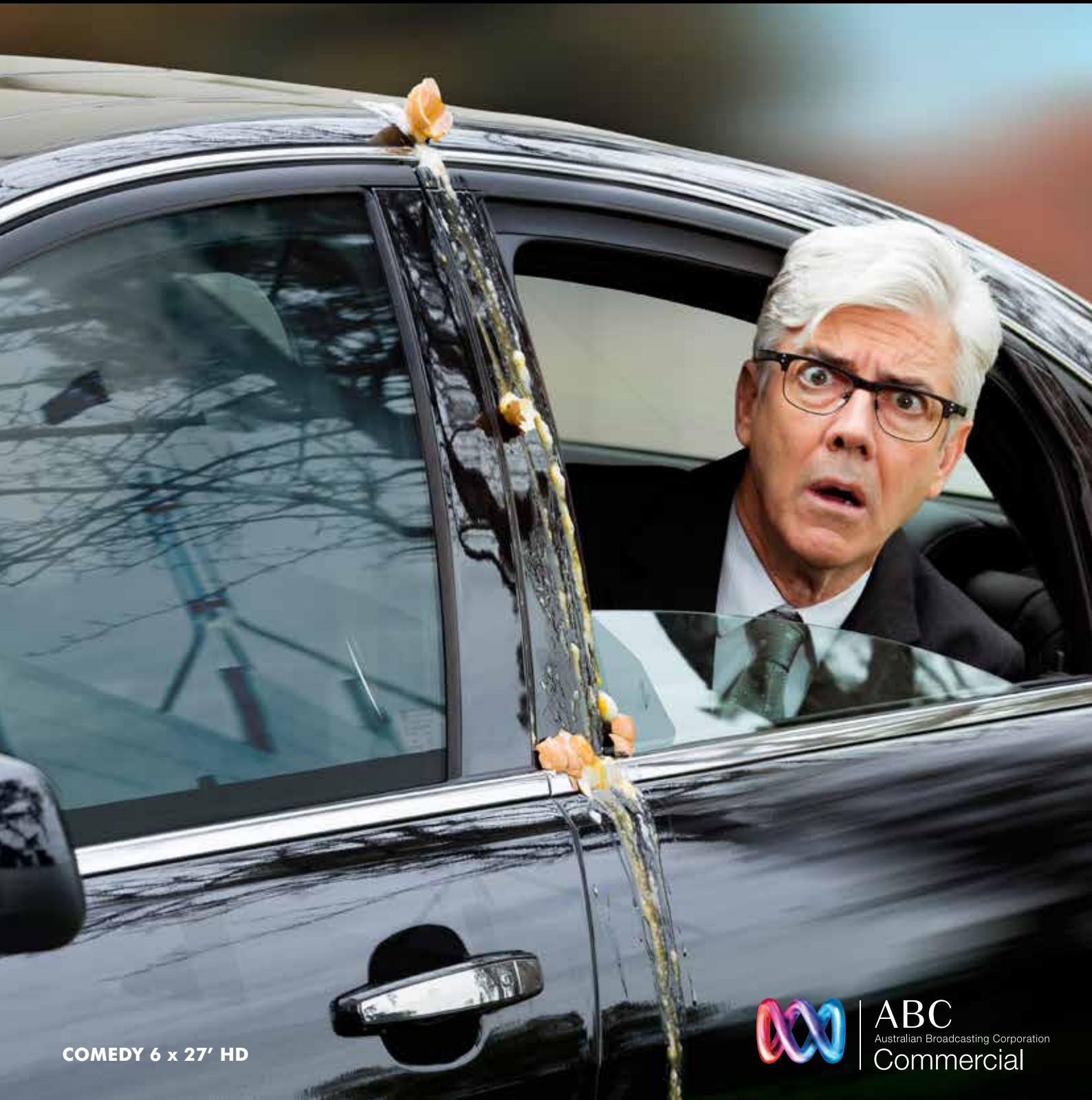


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As Prime Minister, Andrew Dugdale (Shaun Micallef) mattered. He dined with presidents and kings, hosted world summits and changed the lives of millions of his fellow countrymen.

But now he's retired; a not-so-elder statesman with time on his hands to ponder the question – was it all worth it? Not that he's asking of course. Instead, his inquisitive and over enthusiastic ghostwriter Ellen has an unhelpfully insatiable appetite for the truth. After the advance for his memoirs is spent, but writing nothing in return, Dugdale must accept Ellen into his dysfunctional household.

There's his wife Catherine who loves men – especially her husband's chief-of-staff Sonny. Sonny knows where the bodies are buried and how to look after the boss's wife.

Dugdale's daughter Carol has moved back home with her son after leaving her cocaine dealing husband. She didn't see much of her father growing up and would be much happier if that doesn't change now.

Under house arrest following a tax 'mix up', Dugdale's manager Henry is on Skype every day. The only time they actually see each other in person is when Dugdale puts out Henry's bins to prevent Henry setting off his ankle monitor.

Curtis was an intelligence agent assigned to protecting politicians until a hunting accident which left Curtis with a metal plate in his head. Now he's Dugdale's driver who spends most of his time scraping egg off the ex-PM's car.

So begins a comic tango between truth and spin as Ellen and Dugdale take to the dance floor.



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